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Group Art Unit: 1614
Docket No.: EGY 3.0-008

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Cesaro et al

Application No.: 09/653,717

Filed: September 1, 2000

For: USE OF NICOTINE OR DERIVATIVE
THEREOF FOR THE TREATMENT OF
NEUROLOGIC DISEASES, IN
PARTICULAR, PARKINSON DISEASE

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Examiner: R. Cook

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002, finally rejecting claims 10-16, 18-28 and 39-49, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

10. (Twice Amended) A drug composition for continuous or progressive or continuous and progressive administration to a subject orally, subcutaneously, transdermally or any combination thereof, comprising as a first component, nicotine or a nicotine derivative and a second component comprising L-DOPA in a dose at least 30% lower than the effective dose when L-DOPA is administered in the absence of said first component.

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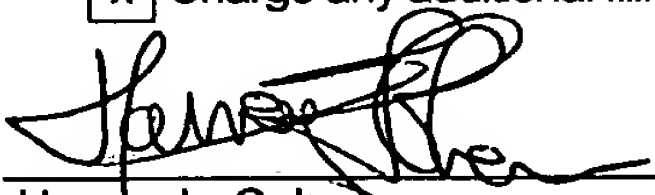
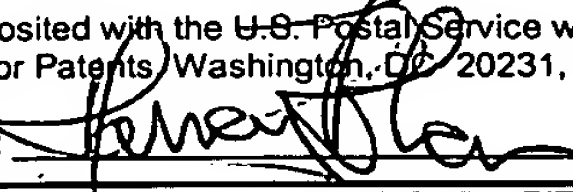
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Invention: USE OF NICOTINE OR DERIVATIVE THEREOF FOR THE TREATMENT OF NEUROLOGIC DISEASES, INPARTICULAR, PARKINSON DISEASE					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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